# **Delta Electricity - CARE Forum Meeting Notes**

Date: 18 February 2021

#### **ATTENDEES**

Community	Delta Electricity
Chain Valley Bay Progress Association	Managing Director
Summerland Point Tidy Towns Group	Executive Manager Production
Summerland Point Progress Association	Executive Manager Asset
Summerland Point Progress Association	Administration Team Leader
Mannering Park Precinct Committee	Company Secretary
Mannering Park Progress Association	Environment Manager
Mannering Park Progress Association	
Lake Munmorah Precinct Committee	

Meeting commenced.

All community members were welcomed, and the meeting was opened at 4.12pm.

# Industry Update -

An update on the generation industry was provided to the group.

- Average spot electricity prices.
- Average NSW Coal-fired generation prices.
- UNGI Funding and Vales Point Turbine Upgrade.

# Operational Overview –

# Safety & Health

Advised the members of the following safety details;

- Details regarding recent LTI.
- Improvements in digital assessment applications.
- Ongoing mitigation of dust leaks.
- Employee hearing testing.
- Custom fitted hearing protection clinic.
- Upgrade to switchboard protection to reduce arc flash.

#### **Production**

- Unit 5 is in service. YTD availability 79.14%
- Unit 6 is in service. YTD availability 92.54%

# **Coal Supplies**

- Chain Valley mine mini wall coal and herringbone.
- · Mandalong mine deliveries via conveyor.
- Minor volume via trucks.

#### **Trucks**

- · Biomass deliveries are still continuing.
- Vales Point Ash Dam

### Asset Management Update -

## **Projects**

An overview and update on the planned projects for the power station was shared. Including details of the DCS upgrade and VP6 Turbine new intermediate pressure cylinders which are scheduled for the outage in April. Further details on the outage work scope were also shared.

# Environmental Update –

## **Community Enquiries**

Outlined the environmental and land management issues which were raised in the last 3 months and confirmed that all community enquiries are investigated, and appropriate responses and actions are provided. Also confirmed the Delta Community Incident Information number (1800 115 277).

# **Water Quality**

- · Vales Point routine monitoring locations.
- NSW OEH 2018 Lake Macquarie Contaminants and Risk Assessment Outcomes

#### **Air Emissions**

 Air quality on the Central Coast is rated as very good by the EPA using the Air Quality Index. Compared to other regions, Central Coast air quality ranks as the best for the NSW Greater Metropolitan Region as reported by the EPA this month.

## **Nitrogen Dioxide Air Emission Limits**

- The current environment protection licence categorises the Vales Point units as belonging to Group 2 (emission standards). This grouping expires in January 2022, unless Delta applies for an extension and it is granted by the EPA.
- Delta will apply for an extension to remain in Group 2. The application will include reporting on local air quality and modelling of Nitrogen Dioxide emissions.
- Delta has published information on its web site to counter the misreporting by activist groups claiming Vales Point is a high NOx emitter.
- Delta will be briefing journalists and alerting them to the information at <a href="http://www.de.com.au/">http://www.de.com.au/</a> to limit incorrect and sensationalist claims in future.

## Community Update –

## **Community Sponsorship & Events**

The members were given an update on recent sponsorship activities and projects which Delta Electricity support. Including details of the annual Gwandalan Carols by the Lake and an update on the Kingfisher Shores Community Garden.

### **Feedback from Community Groups**

# - Summerland Point Progress Association

- Council have cleaned out the pool.
- o Ongoing incidents with Graffiti in the local community.
- Lions club art show is planned for early 2021.
- Thank you to Delta for supporting the carols.

# Mannering Park Precinct Committee/ Tidy Towns

- Mannering Park welcome wall has been resealed.
- Mowing around the community is in progress.
- Shared community pathway options are open for community vote.
- Sailing club extension is nearly completed.

# Chain Valley Bay Progress Association / Macquarie Shores Village

- Australia Day event was cancelled.
- Delta Coal grant for park pavilion has been approved.
- o CVB Community Hall upgrade completed.
- o Member of the group received an awarded for their service to community.

#### Summerland Point Progress Association

- Weather has impacted the group's activities.
- o The group welcomed three new members.

### Mannering Park Progress Association

- The group has started researching air monitoring units to be installed in the community.
- Council has agreed on a site for a community garden located in Mannering Park.

#### Lake Munmorah Precinct Committee

- o Ongoing issues with Chain Valley Bay and Pacific Hwy traffic hazard.
- The group are having issues with funding and expenses, hall hire and insurances.

Community members were all thanked for their time and the meeting was then closed.

Next Meeting: May 2021

Meeting notes taken by Administration Team Leader